



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
HOUSING AUTHORITY
OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Executive Director of the Housing Authority

At its meeting held November 8, 2005, the Board, acting as the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority, took the following action:

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Supervisor Burke made the following statement:

“On August 29, 2005, Hurricane Katrina struck the Gulf Coast area of the United States, causing unprecedented and catastrophic damage to property, significant loss of life, and the displacement of over 253,000 residents from their homes.

“In the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, the Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (‘Housing Authority’) is revising its public housing homeless program policy to include families that resided in public housing and became homeless as a result of a catastrophic event that is a Federally declared disaster.”

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Burke, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried (Supervisor Knabe being absent), the Board acting as the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles took the following actions:

1. Instructed the Executive Director of the Housing Authority to:
 - Amend the public housing Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP) to state that families that resided in public housing and became homeless as a result of a catastrophic event that is a Federally declared disaster will receive a priority preference over other public housing waiting list placeholders;

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- Amend the ACOP to state that referrals of families that resided in public housing and became homeless as a result of a catastrophic event that is a Federally declared disaster will be accepted from relief organizations such as the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Real Estate Assessment Center (REAC), other housing authorities, the American Red Cross and the Salvation Army;
 - Amend the ACOP to state that the number of persons housed through the Housing Authority's homeless program will increase from 25 percent to 50 percent of the total number of public housing vacancies on July 1st of each year, with the 25 percent increase to provide housing for families that resided in public housing and became homeless as a result of a catastrophic event that is a Federally declared disaster; and
2. Made a finding Found that the aforementioned amendments to the ACOP are not "significant" in that they minimally alter the existing homeless program policy and are in accordance with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development recommendations.

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